

IRVIN COBB GETS HERE LITTLE EARLY

ESTING UP FOR LECTURE
TO BE GIVEN TONIGHT.

With Him Famous Ken-
tucky Smile and Black
"Seegar."

With his famous Kentucky smile and a black "seegar" set in his face at an angle of 45 degrees, Col. Irvin Cobb, of Paducah and New York City, alighted at the Union station shortly before 2 o'clock this afternoon. The famous war correspondent and humorist was some five or six hours ahead of his scheduled arrival, but he explained this by saying that he would rather be five hours ahead of time than five minutes late.

His first inquiry was in regard to the direction of a hotel. He said he had been constantly traveling for the past fifteen hours, and he felt as though he could make nearer doing himself justice in his lecture this evening if he could "stretch out" for a few hours.

"I'm glad to get back to Chattanooga for a stay, even though it's going to be a short one," said Mr. Cobb. "This is great weather, and I hope to get up on Lookout mountain tomorrow morning if it's like this." Mr. Cobb did not say whether or not he could go to the army post, but indicated that it might not be possible because of his limited stay here.

CLEANS UP TEMPLE

Wallace Sims, the janitor at the courthouse, has placed the building in fine shape despite the fact that he is meeting with many hindrances. The building has just undergone a thorough cleaning from top to bottom and now looks like a new one. Some complaint was made several days ago about a back room which was used for storage and which had never been cleaned. However, the rubbish and dirt has now been cleaned out of the room and it is used to keep the old records in. The fact that this room is not cleaned was no fault of the janitor, for he was told to pay no attention to it, as it had never been cleaned and was used as a storeroom. Sims only has about half the help former janitors have had and works day and night trying to give good service. Heretofore an outside man, known as the yard man, has been employed, but this work is also kept up by Sims. He is thoroughly satisfied with the service of his janitor and his force.

HONOR GEN. IRELAND

L. Bismarck Entertains Staff Officers. Col. Bismarck, commander Camp Greenleaf, acted as host to a delightful informal breakfast at the Hitchcock Post, this morning, given in honor of Maj.-Gen. Ireland, who went Monday in inspecting the camp. In addition to the distinguished surgeon-general, every staff officer of the camp was extended an invitation to attend. The staff officers attended in a body, there being about twenty-eight. Seated around the table, military order was carried out, Col. Ireland, the guest of honor, being seated at the head of the table, while the place at the left was occupied by Col. Bismarck. There was no formal address made, but a general conversation was indulged in by the notable gathering.

In departing, the surgeon-general shook the medical officers a hearty handshake, saying that it was no wonder the American army was so efficient when it was backed by such a medical department, headed by such men as Col. Bismarck and his associates. The officers, in turn, complimented their commandant very highly for the way he had handled the visit of the distinguished officer, allowing the staff officers to become personally acquainted with

HEYDLER PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL LEAGUE



JOHN A. HEYDLER.

John A. Heydler, for many years secretary of the National baseball league, was elected to the presidency of the league during the recent meeting of the National league in New York. Heydler began his career in the National league as a substitute umpire in 1894 and was promoted to the post of regular in 1898. He then branched out as a baseball writer and in 1902 was induced by Harry Pulliam, the president of the league, to accept a position as his private secretary. Upon Pulliam's death in 1909, Heydler was elected president and held that office for about ten months. Since then he has filled the position of secretary-treasurer, and has been acting president since the resignation of John K. Tener.

REPORT NOT READY

Auditorium Executive Board Has
Nothing to Announce.

O. P. Darwin, president of the Kiwanis club, declared Tuesday that the executive board of the auditorium committee will have nothing to report until the first week of January. Then the entire committee, consisting of delegates from every civic organization of the city, will convene. Immediate action is expected then.

CONTRACTS TIED UP

Question of Legality Raised by Comptroller of Treasury.

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LEAP BACKWARDS

Long Fight for Increased Pay Made by
Union Workers.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Investigation of the high cost of living and the wages of Chicago employed took a nimble leap backward today when it was disclosed in court eastern representatives of the Chicago packers refused to live up to the agreement that they would not into operation the award made by Judge Alschuler several months ago. This was revealed by J. Domb, of Pittsburgh, financial secretary of the Amalgamated Association of Meatcutters and Butcher Workers.

Domb told of the long fight of his union for increased pay and the attack of the packers to abide by the ruling of Judge Alschuler, but declared that when the award was made "the representatives of the Chicago packers were the first to refuse to carry it out."

TO PURCHASE EMBASSIES

Washington, Dec. 17.—Purchase by the United States of its embassies in foreign capitals, as well as increases in American ambassadors' salaries, was advocated by state department officials before the house foreign affairs committee this afternoon.

FIND NEW USE FOR PANTS FOR WOMEN

USED AS STORAGE BIN FOR
WHISKY.

But Unfamiliarity With Mas-
culine Attire Gives Scheme
of Negro Woman Away.

Loaded inside and outside with the fruits of her Christmas shopping, Agnes Ray, a negro woman, was arrested at the Terminal station Monday night by Officers Bettis and Sears on the charges of being drunk and transporting whiskey. Agnes decided upon Cincinnati as being the proper place to do her Christmas shopping, and knowing the watchful eye of the local and government officials, she decided upon a new plan to bring back her whiskey. She purchased a large pair of overalls and pinned up the legs of the overalls just above her knees, and one of the pants legs she filled with pint bottles of whiskey. The other leg was not used as a storage bin in this manner, and when she alighted from the depot the empty leg became unfurnished in some way, and she started out of the gates, the officers noticed it nearly dragging the ground. She was arrested, and on being searched it was found that besides the number of bottles she carried in the overalls she also had on a jacket which contained about fifteen pints of whiskey. Each pocket of the overalls contained a pint of whiskey. She was tried this morning before Judge Fleming and did not deny the charges. She was given \$10 and sent to the city case and bound over to the criminal court under a \$250 bond.

LOCAL FLASHES

County Judge Sam A. Conner stated Tuesday morning that the elevator service at the courthouse will begin immediately after the Christmas holidays when the courts opened. While the elevator has been greatly missed, the discontinuance of it has been a source of great saving. The elevator operates now only for invalid newspaper men.

The branch office of the department of labor that is located on East Ninth street is now in charge of John H. James. The branch office is doing a large business in placing negro labor, averaging about fifteen men a day that they place in some kind of employment.

During the past few days nearly all of the passenger trains out of Chattanooga have been equipped with at least one extra baggage and mail car. The usual number of baggage and mail cars on the trains were unable to handle the Christmas rush, which has been growing each day for the past ten days.

Harry Gribben leaves Thursday for New York, where he will report to the Knights of Columbus for overseas duty. Mr. Gribben is a member of St. Peter and Paul's church and also of the Knights of Columbus of this city and has been active in the affairs of both church and organization. For some months past he has been in Knights of Columbus war activities, being secretary of one of the buildings at Camp Greenleaf.

ALL RAILROADS ASSISTED

Decision Reached by McAdoo and
Advisers.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Financial assistance will be extended to the railroads under government control by the war finance corporation of the treasury department. It was learned this afternoon. Director-General of Railroads McAdoo and the members of the war finance corporation met today to determine whether the corporation would extend such financial assistance, while no official announcement was made, it is understood the conference decided that such assistance would be given.

FINDS EXHAUSTED

Nothing Left in City Strongbox for
Crittendon Home.

The officials of the Florence Crittendon home have been notified that the city fund for the purpose of supporting the girls at the mercy home has been exhausted and that there is no more available. Whether this will mean that the doors of the Crittendon home for the treatment of women for social disease brought to the institution will have to be closed is not known. However, unless another appropriation is made, it is evident from the present situation that the financial conditions of the home will necessitate some drastic step.

Mayor Jesse M. Littleton states that the trustees of the institution have been informed that the \$15,000 originally appropriated for the upkeep of the girls at the home by the city of Chattanooga has been exhausted and that there can be no more donations until the commissioners make another appropriation. As a result of a report made at a recent meeting of the commissioners by Dr. Ben H. Brown relative to the management of the home, it is thought that some of the commissioners are not in favor of any other appropriations being made. As it is, the city has not only appropriated the \$15,000 for the upkeep of the home but has also given \$10,000 for building purposes.

In speaking of the conditions existing at the home, Commissioner Huffer, of the department of education and health, declares that he is not in sympathy with the work carried on at the home as it is at the present time. He believes that with the ending of the patients that are being sent to the home, put in today and out tomorrow, that little good is being accomplished.

CALLS FOR REPORT

Washington, Dec. 17.—President Wilson is requested "to inform the house in detail of his administration of the provisions of the so-called Overman act of May 30, 1918," in a resolution introduced in the house this afternoon by Representative Gould, of New York, and referred to the house judiciary committee.

The act authorized the president to "co-ordinate or consolidate executive bureaus, agencies and offices in the interest of economy and the more efficient concentration of the government."

CHILE AND PERU APPLAUD

Washington, Dec. 17.—The action of the United States in offering assistance in the settlement of the dispute between Chile and Peru has met with great favor in both countries, according to state department advices this afternoon. The Chilean minister for foreign affairs gave an account to the chamber of deputies of the Chilean box office in this country, and his speech was greeted with a "great outburst of applause," the advices state.

SUSPECT ARRESTED

One-Legged Colored Man Held Up by
Two Assassins.

In connection with the alleged kidnapping of a one-legged colored man, Walter Smith, colored, was arrested Tuesday morning by Detectives Tom Gillespie and Joe Paradise. At police headquarters Smith was charged with having assisted in an attempted robbery. He did not make any statement. According to the plainclothes men, two men held the one-legged man, and after flooring him, he evidently became frightened and ran before the robbery was carried out.

DERNBURG'S IDEA OF FIFTH PEACE POINT

THINKS GERMANY MAY RE-
TAIN HER COLONIES.

He Says Germany Will Be a
Federated Republic Under
New Order.

Copenhagen, Dec. 17.—Dr. Dernburg, formerly of the German government, interprets the fifth point of President Wilson's fourteen principles as meaning that Germany shall be allowed to keep her colonies, according to Dr. Dernburg, will be a federated republic.

The fifth principle laid down by President Wilson, "an open, absolutely impartial adjustment of all colonial claims, based upon a strict observance of the principle that in determining all questions of sovereignty the interests of the populations concerned must have equal weight with the equitable claims of the government whose title is to be determined."

GYLLENFLECHT TRIED

Court-martial of Former Chief Pro-
vost Guards.

Chief W. H. Hackett, provost guards and officers and some officers from Fort Meyer, Va., were witnesses at the court-martial of Gyllenflecht, former chief of military police in Chattanooga, which was held Monday at Fort Oglethorpe.

On an eventful Saturday night Capt. Gyllenflecht and his men made a big liquor haul on Washburne pike, near this city, and took in charge forty or fifty gallons of liquor, two horses, a wagon and an automobile. The liquor was brought to the city hall, followed by the raid the automobile was used for a joy ride and partially demolished on the trip.

On Sunday following several gallons of the liquor disappeared, and the present chief, took charge. It is understood that Capt. Gyllenflecht has been in the service a number of years and that he rose from a private to captain.

CANNOT VERIFY CHARGES

War Department Has No Reports to
Sustain German Cruelties to
Americans.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Although there has been a number of stories of atrocities practiced upon Americans in German prison camps, war department officials said today that they had been unable to secure verification of these charges. They pointed to the fact that Capt. Pershing had been queried on the subject, and that he had learned, American prisoners generally had been treated passively well.

Officially, the war department is interested in the International News Service dispatch from Bern carrying accounts of atrocities as related by members of the 19th infantry. They stated that the men might be officially questioned with a view to securing additional information.

BELGIAN DELEGATION

Brussels, Dec. 17.—The following peace delegation, it was announced today, will represent Belgium at the peace conference: Foreign Minister Hyman, Minister of Justice Vandervelde, and M. Van Der Heuvel, minister to the Vatican.

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A tentative decision to extend the aid is understood to have been reached, but Secretary Glass said after the meeting that the announcement now would be premature.

MARITIME WAGE LEVEL

Washington, Dec. 17.—An appeal that the wages of all classes of maritime workers be continued at the level fixed by the United States shipping board until the wage standards have been officially countermanded was sent out this afternoon by the shipping board.

REVIVAL RACE FEELING BRINGS FORTH PROTEST

FORMATION "COLUMBIAN
UNION" DEPLORED.

Meeting Held Under Auspices
of Colored Ministers Prayers
Resolutions.

Strong resolutions of protest against the organization of the Columbian union, the purpose of which, it is claimed, is to commemorate the Ku-Klux Klan of Civil war times, were adopted at a mass meeting of colored citizens Monday night. The meeting, which was held in Warren Chapel, African Methodist Episcopal church, was called for the purpose of taking action in regard to the Columbian union. A number of colored pastors and leading citizens were in attendance. Rev. H. D. Butler, president of the interdenominational ministers' union, acted as chairman. Patriotic songs were sung. Elder McIntyre offered the invocation and Rev. H. E. Kennedy gave the closing remarks.

Attention was called to the loyalty of the colored people, especially in the great world war, when thousands of colored soldiers, answering the call to service, went overseas to do their bit toward making the world safe for democracy. The resolutions disapproved of any movement such as the Columbian union at this time and set forth that "high-spirited" white people were not in accord with it. The stand taken by the daily paper, the Chattanooga Times, in connection was warmly commended.

Among those who addressed the meeting were: Adolphus Lewis, of New York; W. H. Hackett, of Maryland; Rev. C. Moore, of Chicago; Charles Tucker, of Chicago; John Patton, of G. W. Franklin and William Brooks.

HINGS ON HOOVER

May Be Made Director-General of
Advised.

Pasig, Dec. 17.—Some questions are coming prominently to the front in the discussions now going on behind the scenes preliminary to the assembling of the peace conference, and the peace congress. The main point hinges on the appointment of Herbert C. Hoover, the American food relief for all the allies and the United States.

An amendment to this has been suggested, that of making an alliance would control for the period of one year the distribution of raw materials to various countries.

The American plan for relief was presented in writing to the recent meeting of the supreme war council in London, but action on it was postponed until the meeting of the League of Nations and Premier Orlando in Paris, next Thursday will again bring these matters together, this time with President Wilson and the supreme war council again will come up for discussion.

An amendment concerning raw materials, based upon the promises to be the main subject of discussion. A number of other questions also are involved in the appointment of Hoover, and the matter is particularly the use of merchant shipping now in German ports for the distribution of relief and also the prompt movement of American troops back to the United States.

INVESTIGATING DEATH

Accident Fatal to Chattanooga Boy
Being Probed.

Waterbury, Md., Dec. 17.—County authorities are today investigating the death of Wallace M. White, 24 years old, of Chattanooga, Tenn., a government employee in the army navy and state building, Washington, who last night was struck by a Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis Electric train at Naval Academy Junction, and instantly killed. The motorman was unaware of the accident, the body of Wright being found by two small boys.

Wright was the son of Sidney B. Wright, a lawyer, with offices in the First National Bank building, Chattanooga.

PARTICULARLY SAD DEATH

Mrs. Armour Dies Day Before Ar-
rives from France.

The death of Mrs. W. A. Armour and two days-old baby, which occurred shortly before noon today at a local infirmary, was particularly sad because, as Mrs. Armour received yesterday a telegram from her husband in New York, announcing his arrival in that city from France and his intention of coming direct home.

The husband went to France as a soldier only a short time ago and was gassed in one of the recent battles. He soon after returned home. He does not know the death of his wife and baby, and the sad news must be broken to him on his arrival.

The bodies of Mrs. Armour and baby were taken to Warren's funeral apartments for burial. The interment will take place at Bakewell, the home of Mrs. Armour's father. Burial will await the arrival of the husband and father.

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URGES AUDITORIUM

Foster Brown Speaks to Kiwanians.
Gamble for Attendance Prize.

"Do it now—don't put it off. Get behind the movement, one and all, and put it through while the iron is hot." This spot of advice Mr. Brown, in one of his characteristically enthusiastic speeches Tuesday at the Kiwanis club's luncheon. His subject was the proposed auditorium.

Mr. Brown, who was the chief speaker, spoke in part as follows: "A boy wrote home to me that he had never seen a field order making any provision for a retreat. If the soldiers can go forward like that in the face of danger, surely Chattanooga can keep up the same pace in erecting a memorial to them. There are enough men around this table to put across anything they want," declared the speaker.

"The auditorium proposition needs no argument. No man will deny the need and that it is a present one. Also, the structure must be in reality a memorial—not a cheap job affair—something that will stand as a credit to the city for all time to come. We must keep alive the memory of the boys who offered everything for liberty."

It was hoped to have Irvin Cobb speak at the auditorium, but on account of unavoidable delays he was unable to reach town in time.

Capt. J. W. Hall, intelligence officer of Fort Oglethorpe, made a brief talk after Mr. Brown's finished speaking. His utterances were mostly humorous, but he brought out an interesting phase of the war. Not only commercially but physically, he said, the conflict has been profitable to America. Out of a total army of 4,500,000, he declared that the loss of 60,000 men has been more than made up by the physical gain of the rest.

Aside from the speeches, there were several interesting features of the luncheon. It seemed that the "attendance" prize, consisting of a war savings stamp and a pair of pajamas was in hot dispute between President F. W. Hixson, of the University of Chattanooga, and Dr. Hixson, pastor of the First Baptist church. A spark of genius lighting the eye of the master of ceremonies, Dr. Raymond Wallace, he suggested that the issue be decided by an ancient and honorable African custom. The "bones" were produced and the head waiter called as a "referee." It being presumed that he had had experience along such lines. The two ministers went to the sports and the referee was soon seen that a referee was not an unnecessary complement to the game. Both contestants claimed to have won, and to save any possible trouble between the two gentlemen, the prize was called off. Dr. Hixson loudly insisting that he had rolled a "seven," and President Hixson holding out just as strongly that he hadn't.

A quartet of entertainers from Camp Greenleaf gave an enjoyable performance. Jack Nevin, ballad singer possessed of an extremely good tenor voice; P. Pasivo, accordionist; and L. Bordell, pianist, composed the troupe.

PENROSE URGES BILL

Lafollette Will Offer Substitute for
Tax Measure.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Prompt passage of the war revenue bill was urged in the senate today by Senator Penrose, senior republican member of the finance committee.

Senator Penrose gave his views when the senate reached the income tax action, which provides for reduction of rates in 1920. Chairman of the finance committee, in charge of the bill, had formally announced that every effort would be made to reach a final vote on the measure before the holidays.

For Lafayette gave notice that he would later a substitute or move for reconsideration of the income tax section. Although strongly dissenting from the provision for 1920 taxes, Senator Penrose urged early passage of the bill in a view to revision later. He favored abolishing war excess profit taxes and substitution of a new system of flat income taxes.

COMES HOME TO RUN

Capt. Will Snyder Will Run for City
Judge.

Washington, Dec. 17.—(Special.)—Capt. William R. Snyder, of Chattanooga, who is here on legal business, is being considered by friends here as a probable candidate for city judge of Chattanooga when he returns home. His friends here are urging his candidacy and he seems inclined to make the race. Lieut. J. L. Levine, from Chattanooga, who is in the 1st division quartermaster, stationed at Camp Devens, Mass., is in Washington on business connected with his office.

EDITORIALS READ

Evidence in Socialists' Trial Fast Ac-
cused.

Chicago, Dec. 17.—Numerous bundles of paper and lengthy newspaper editorials introduced into the trial of the five socialists before Judge Landis today, promised to delay a verdict in the case until Christmas.

The men on trial for alleged violations of the espionage act are: Congressman-elect Victor Berger, of Milwaukee; Irvin St. John Tucker, J. Louis Engdahl, W. E. Kruse and Adolph Gerner.

The papers contained duplicate order slips seized in a raid on socialist headquarters here last December.

Little Brother Run-Down

Cried and Fretted—How He
Recovered.

Mountainville, N. Y.—"My little brother had typhoid fever, and it left him with no appetite, weak, run-down and always crying—Vinol proved a wonderful tonic in building him up and restoring his strength after everything else failed."—Lucy Sherman.

The reason Vinol was so successful in this little boy's case is because it contains the very elements needed to build up a weakened, run-down system, make rich, red blood and create strength. For sale by Jo Anderson, druggist, and druggists everywhere.—(Adv.)

POSILAM FORCES

AILING SKIN

TO IMPROVE

To be rid of an unsightly skin trouble assure increased pride, comfort, satisfaction. If your suffering from eczema's distress has been intense, you are entitled to relief, the relief that Posilam can bring you healing short and pleasant. A little goes a long way and does a great deal, the skin responds so quickly. Itching irritation stops. Pimples and rashes go, and, best of all, Posilam will not, cannot, harm.

Sold everywhere. For free sample write to Emergency Laboratories, 243 West 47th St., New York City.

Posilam Soap is the tonic soap for the skin and will freshen and beautify your complexion.—(Adv.)

OVER THREE THOUSAND ARE STILL INTERNED

FEW PAROLED FROM WAR
PRISON BARRACKS.

Gray-Haired Teuton Sea Cap-
tain Intends Never to Re-
turn to Germany.

All heedless of the talk of demobilization and the return of gallant soldiers to civilian life and peace-time pursuits, the somewhat numerous family of Col. Penrose, commander of the war prison barracks at Chickamauga Park, continues to exist intact and happily, to all appearances. In fact, the assemblage of Huns and other alien enemies continues to enlarge. The family has been augmented from time to time by fresh shipments of would-be staunch supporters of the fatherland. At present there are said to be approximately 3,300 aliens confined within the limits of the local stockade. The current rumor that aliens are being paroled in considerable numbers to return to civilian life is positively denied by the authorities.

Only Few Paroled.

To date, according to the adjutant's figures, there have been not more than thirty or forty of the enemies paroled since the camp was established or, rather, since the prospective officers assumed command. These handful of men have been turned over to the local department of justice after a very thorough investigation of the famous cases has been conducted. Even after they have secured their conditional freedom they are ever under the watchful eye of the department of